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In re Application of AKASHI et al :
U.S. Application No.: 10/578,128 :
PCT Application No.: PCT/JP04/16845 : DECISION
Int. Filing Date: 12 November 2004 :
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For: THAWING METHOD :

This is in response to applicant's "Request & Petition" filed 24 July 2006, which is being treated under 37 CFR 1.182. The requisite \$400.00 petition fee has been submitted.

The petition requests correction of the Transmittal Letter (Form PTO-1390) filed 02 May 2006. A review of the application file reveals that although the Transmittal Letter listed international application number PCT/US04/16845, the papers filed 02 May 2006 are otherwise consistent with PCT/JP04/16845.

For the reasons above, the petition under 37 CFR 1.182 is GRANTED.

The application has an International Filing Date under 35 U.S.C. 363 of 12 November 2004, and a date under 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1), (c)(2), and (c)(4) of 17 July 2006.

This application is being forwarded to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) for further processing in accordance with this decision.

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